

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 23 to 42 without prejudice.

1. (Three times amended) Implant for the reconstruction of soft tissue, said implant comprising: a plurality of thin pliable structural elements made of [foil] a thin sheet of a physiologically compatible plastic[, said foil] having a thickness of 10-200 μm and a surface that is wettable by a fluid lubricant.

5. (Three times amended) Implant according to claim 1 wherein the structural elements comprise tubes formed of said thin sheet [foil].

7. (Three times amended) Implant according to claim 1 wherein said surface of [the foil] said thin sheet is hydrophilized and said implant contains an aqueous fluid wetting the hydrophilized surface as the lubricant.

16. (Amended twice) Implant according to claim 1, wherein the plastic is cuprophane [foil].